MINUTES TOWN OF DARIEN BOARD OF EDUCATION CENTRAL OFFICE/ MATHER CENTER BUILDING COMMITTEE

Wednesday, June 8, 2011

The regular meeting of the Town of Darien Board of Education Central Office/Mather Center Building Committee was held on June 8, 2011. Present were Chairman Norm Guimond, Vice Chairman Robin Woods, John Hertz, Louis Gesauldi and Elizabeth Hagerty-Ross. Also present was Town Administrator Karl Kilduff, BOE Facilities Director Hans Otto and architects Rusty Malik and Tom Arcari.

Chairman Guimond called the meeting to order at 12:05 p.m.

NEW BUSINESS

Chairman Guimond took the agenda out of order pending the arrival of the architects.

a) Other Items Of Relevance to the Committee

The minutes for June 1, 2011, was moved by Ms. Woods, seconded by Mr. Gesauldi, and approved with a 5-0 vote.

Chairman Guimond noted that the design concepts should be finalized and approved at the next meeting.

b) Architect's Report

Mr. Malik provided an overview of "Concept 5" for the Board of Education Central Office. This concept was developed in response to a concern about the amount of office space under the mezzanine area. The concept moved IT from the main level and provided for better circulation. The Committee discussed the square footage in the building and the floor plan as it relates to other possible users of the building.

Mr. Arcari reviewed a refined concept for the Mather Community Center. The design built on previously discussed concepts. The entrance and a front turn around can be relocated. The refined floor plan reflected input and space flexibility preferences from Beth Paris, Senior Center Coordinator. Concept sketches were also presented to the Committee show renderings of the possible exterior and interior.

The design was reviewed as to how the Darien Arts Center would connect to the Center. Mr. Arcari noted that operational decisions would need to be made to allow for the opportunities the architecture might present.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 1:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted Karl F. Kilduff Administrative Officer